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Services
User Guide

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1.0 User Guide Overview

The State of North Carolina GIS (geographic information systems) managed services include the development of project specific workflows, standard operating procedures (SOPs), and informational documentation on operational processes and procedures including tools to facilitate discrepancy resolution and data quality improvements.

The GeoComm GIS Data Hub allows for access to mechanisms to complete the following:

- upload datasets,
- download the statewide dataset,
- download detailed QC results,
- view reports in the Dashboard

Software specific procedural instructions and help files are maintained through the specific software's Web Help files.

Ad-hoc summary reports for individual jurisdictions may be downloaded from the GIS Data Hub Dashboard by individual jurisdictions at any time in PDF format. State level reports are also accessed via the GIS Data Hub Dashboard. The statewide summary reports can be downloaded in PDF and Excel formats.

2.0 Application access

The GIS Data Hub is accessed via the following link: https://gdh.sonc.nc.geo-comm.com/GMS API/

To request a new user access account for the GIS Data Hub, please e-mail the MCTeam@geocomm.com with the following information for each end user in your jurisdiction:

- Name
- Title
- E-mail address
- Phone number

E-mail addresses are used for user access. An e-mail is sent to the user upon initial account creation and the user generates a password when registering. Registration e-mail invites expire after 24 hours.

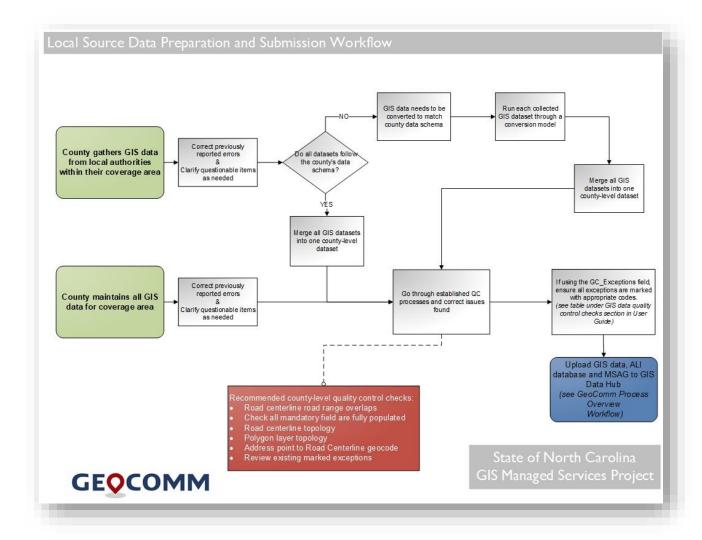


3.0 Workflows

The workflows that follow are intended to provide guidance through each part of the process, from GIS data maintenance and quality improvement at the local level to submission into the GIS Data Hub by each local source entity, to obtaining a copy of the statewide dataset. Additional information about the QC check results and guidance on improving GIS data is found in subsequent sections.

Local Source Data Preparation and Submission Workflow

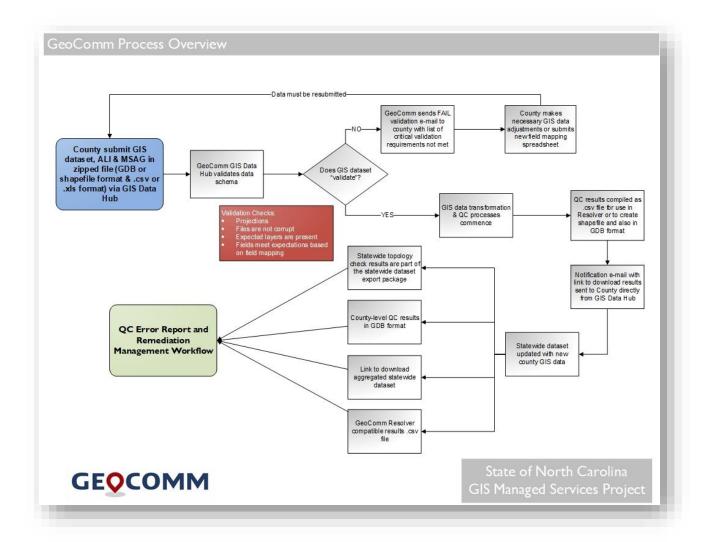
The diagram below details the workflow for jurisdiction submission of data for quality control checks and aggregation into the statewide dataset used for call routing.





GeoComm Process Overview

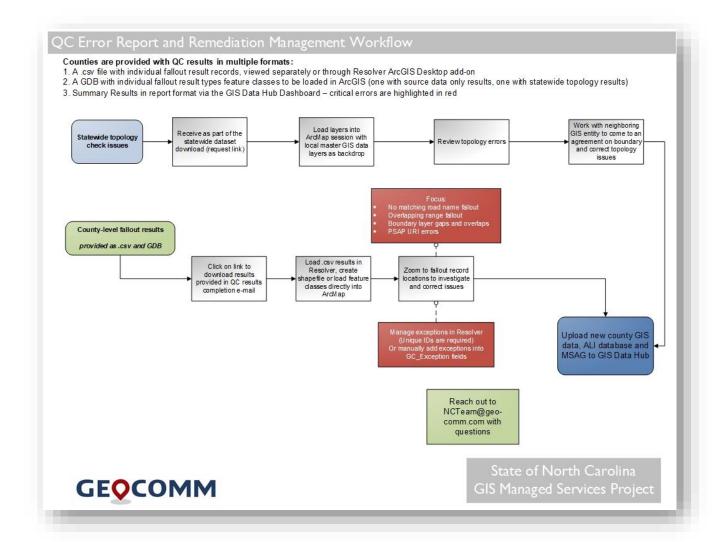
The diagram below details the managed service process for receiving the GIS datasets submitted by local entities, validation, quality control and aggregation. It also depicts the different mechanisms in which the quality check results are communicated back to the submitting entities.





QC Error Report and Remediation Management Workflow

The diagram below details the workflow for retrieval, review, and resolution of quality control discrepancies reported by the GIS Data Hub through a summary of results, GeoComm Resolver, or by loading a .csv file or QC fallouts feature classes into an ArcMap session.





4.0 Standard operating procedures

This section provides standard operating procedures (SOPs) and instructions on the GIS data, MSAG and ALI database requirements for source entity data submission into the GIS Data Hub, including field mapping instructions.

Data requirements for GIS datasets submitted by source entities

Field mapping and data submission

Initial configuration of the ETL process requires field mapping of the local source data to the State of North Carolina data schema standard.

The following GIS data layers are required:

- Road centerlines
- Site/Structure address points
- PSAP boundary
- Law boundary
- Fire response boundary
- EMS response boundary
- Provisioning (Authoritative) boundary

Each individual data layer needs to be field mapped upon initial submission to GIS Data Hub. Data submissions should be made in Esri geodatabase format up to version 10.6.1 or in shapefile format.

Training for the field mapping process will be provided in person at regional training meetings for the jurisdictions ready to begin submitting GIS data at the beginning of the project. A training video of the process will be made available for the jurisdictions onboarding at a later date. The GeoComm team is available to assist with any questions that arise during the initial field mapping process or when changes need to be made due to schema changes, layer name changes or layer additions. The team can be reached by e-mail at NCTeam@geo-comm.com.

A field mapping spreadsheet will be made available to download from the State of North Carolina project site. You may also request a copy at any time by e-mailing the GeoComm NCTeam@geo-comm.com. This spreadsheet can be used for reference. It includes attribute examples for fields and a column indicating whether an attribute value is mandatory, conditional, or optional (M/C/O) for features.

Please note the following:

- An e-mail should be sent to NCTeam@geo-comm.com after the initial data upload and whenever field mapping changes are made as this e-mail will prompt the team to begin processing data. Subsequent uploads without new or changed schema automatically begin processing.
- The names of the feature classes need to remain consistent for each data submission. The fields
 listed in the field mapping spreadsheet need to be included with every data submission as the
 GIS Data Hub ETL configuration is set up to expect the same fields. Additional fields beyond the



- fields listed in the field mapping spreadsheet are disregarded so they are not an issue other than possibly affecting processing efficiency.
- It is also requested that any additional ObjectID fields be removed from the data. Many times, when moving data from location to location extra ObjectID fields are created (ObjectID_1, ObjectID_12...). Ensure you are deleting the extra ObjectID fields that are not of the ObjectID data type. The true ObjectID field will not allow you to delete it.

Unique identifiers

The initial creation and subsequent maintenance of unique identifiers for all features submitted into the dataset is crucial. The unique identifiers (NGUIDs) need to be maintained at the local level by the person or department maintaining the GIS data that is ultimately fed into the statewide dataset.

Unique identifiers can be created and maintained following more than one method. Manually updating features' unique identifiers as road segments, address points, or polygon layers are added or changed, is not recommended as this method is tedious and error prone. Esri has provided a solution which can be configured to the State of North Carolina's specific naming convention. This solution can be found in the Attribute Assistant tool. The Attribute Assistant tool is part of the Address Management toolset in the ArcGIS for Local Government templates. The following links provide an introduction and overview of Attribute Assistant, as well as details on tool configuration and links to download the tool.

- Address Data Management toolset
- Attribute Assistant add-in overview

Please note that Esri GlobalIDs or ObjectIDs are not appropriate for use as unique identifier attributes in an NG9-1-1 dataset. The reasoning is that ObjectIDs change as features are split, added and deleted, and GlobalIDs change when feature classes are exported from the SDE database, so they are not retained throughout the submission and aggregation process. Also, GlobalIDs may be unique within a local dataset, but may be found duplicated in an aggregated dataset consisting of many disparately maintained datasets. This is the reason the recommended standard includes an extension indicating the PSAP or county name, along with the State name as part of the unique ID attribute. Please see the North Carolina State NG9-1-1 Data Standard field mapping spreadsheet for more details and guidelines.

Unique identifiers are critical for the error reporting loop. Each feature requires a unique identifier that remains persistent through the upload, quality control check and AT&T ECRF provisioning processes. A feature that falls out of quality control checks at any of the process steps is reported back to the local entity using the Discrepancy Agency ID and the unique identifier assigned to the feature. See the <u>field mapping spreadsheet</u> for descriptions of these mandatory fields. It is expected that unique identifiers may occasionally need to be recreated due to unforeseen circumstances or accidental duplication. Please keep in mind that this should be kept to a minimum and replacing/overwriting existing unique identifiers should be done after the reporting loop is complete (local entity data upload→GIS Data Hub QC→provisioning to AT&T ECRF→AT&T QC and error notification). Field calculation formulas can be saved on a per layer basis to assist in recalculating the NGUIDs when and as needed.

Note: Feature unique identifiers should be updated when a road segment is split. The resulting two road segments are considered new features. The unique identifier of the original road segment should not be reused in the future. Unique identifiers of point and polygon feature types that were deleted should also not be reused for new features.



MSAG and ALI database preparation for submission to GIS Data Hub

It is recommended that each jurisdiction upload the most recent MSAG and ALI database with each GIS data submission.

The ALI database and MSAG may be uploaded in .xls, .xlsx or .csv format. If uploading data in an excel format, it should be noted the automatic system only analyzes the first sheet within the file. If multiple worksheets are present within the table, the extra sheets will need to be deleted. The file names and spreadsheet tab names should consistently be named the same, for example "MSAG" and "ALI", as this information is utilized to configure the field mapping. It is also important that only a single, top row contain headers. A second row with additional header information or a blank row will cause conflicts in the QC results.

The ALI database and MSAG should be submitted in the same .zip file as the GIS data.

Upon submission of ALI database and MSAG for each source entity, the GIS Data Hub performs synchronization checks using the GIS data included in the zipped file and reports the results back to each source entity for review and correction.

ALI database and MSAG synchronization results are included in the QCFallouts.csv output from GIS data Hub. No separate ALI and MSAG results layers are produced by the synchronization checks.

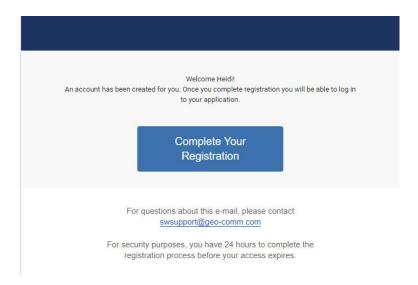
To reduce the number of false errors, the following records should be removed prior to submission to GIS Data Hub:

- FX Records
- VoIP records
- Wireless records
- Fictitious records: blank to blank, zero to zero

GIS Data Hub Instructions

- Log onto GIS Data Hub in Google Chrome
 - a. 1st Time Log In An email from GeoComm will be sent with a link for the user to select a password.





- Once password is set, navigate to the GIS Data Hub page: https://gdh.sonc.nc.geo-comm.com/GMS_API/
- 3. Click on "Choose A Project"

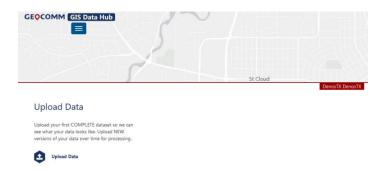


4. For "My Project" choose the State. For "My Client" choose your jurisdiction's Name. Then click "Start Using This Project"

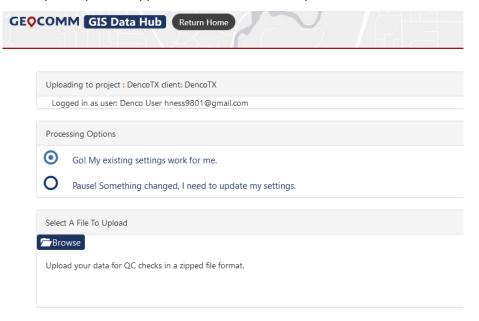


5. Click on "Upload Data"





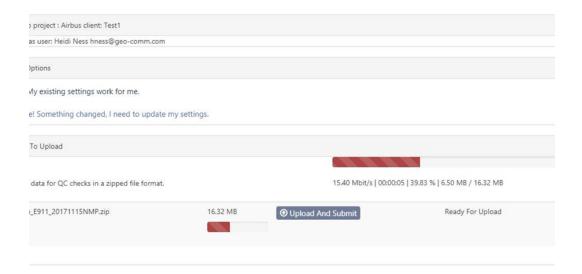
6. Click the "Browse" button and upload a zipped copy of your jurisdiction's GIS data. You can also drag and drop the updated zipped GIS data into the file upload window.



NOTE: If you have added any new layers or made changes to the schema or name of an existing GIS layer since your last submission, choose "Pause! Something changed, I need to update my settings" before uploading your GIS data. Then upload your data and make appropriate changes in the Layer Mapping section of GIS Data Hub. E-mail the NCTeam@geo-comm.com to request QC processing when you are ready. Also, if any questions arise, send an email to the North Carolina Managed Services Team at NCTeam@geo-comm.com to request assistance.

7. Once the file is listed press the "Upload and Submit" button.





Best Practices for Uploading Data

- All data should be uploaded in a single zipped file
- GIS data can be submitted in shapefile, personal geodatabase, or file geodatabase format up to version 10.6.1
- ALI and MSAG can be submitted as an .xls, .xlsx or .csv file; must be included in the single zip file
- GIS data can be provided in any ArcGIS supported projection with the following exceptions:
 - a. Web Mercator Auxiliary Sphere is not supported
 - b. County, city or region-specific custom projections are not supported
- Any GIS data submitted should be free of complex geometry (example: Bezier curves)
 - a. Running repair geometry on all shapefiles and/or feature classes can help fix or remove any unwanted geometries and identify missing geometry information.
- Layer name and attribute field names should be free of special characters other than underscores
 ("_")
- Underscores ('_') or numbers should not be used to start a layer name
- GIS data point layers cannot be multipoint layers
- When submitting data after the first upload:
 - Follow the same layer naming conventions as the originally submitted data
 - Upload all layers when submitting data even if changes were not made to all layers

Note: If the data is uploaded in a different format than the initial submission you should verify the field names to confirm they have not changed. The conversion between geodatabases and shapefiles can truncate the field names with more than 10 characters.



Submitter tool option for GIS data submissions

The Submitter ArcGIS add-on provides an option for jurisdictions to export, zip and upload their GIS data layers directly from within an ArcMap session. The installer, install instructions and Submitter user guide can be found on the State's NG9-1-1 project landing page at https://it.nc.gov/next-generation-911-gis-services. Please contact NCTeam@geo-comm.com if you have any questions.

5.0 Quality control check reporting

As new GIS datasets are submitted, each feature class, shapefile and table in the dataset is first scanned for validity to be ingested into GIS Data Hub, then processed through pre-determined QC procedures. Once the validity of the data is determined, (i.e. not corrupt, matches documented schema) it is run through an established process to translate the dataset into an internal GeoComm data schema.

Following the translation, the datasets are run through several established automated quality control processes and procedures before translation into the State of North Carolina statewide data schema and incorporation into the statewide dataset. The results of the quality control checks are reported to the local GIS data source entities in multiple ways.

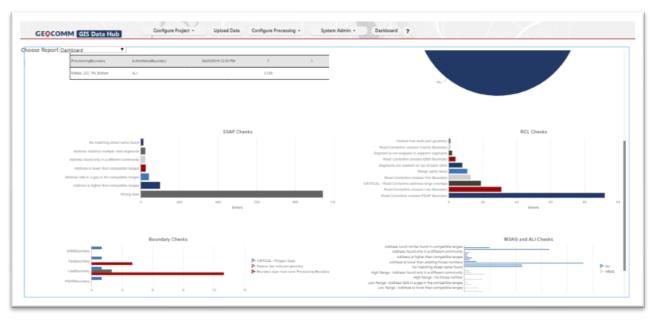
GIS Data Hub Dashboard

The summary report provides a summary of each jurisdiction's latest quality control check results and the latest ALI (Automatic Location Identification) database and MSAG (Master Street Address Guide) to GIS data synchronization check results available at the time the report is generated through the GIS Data Hub Dashboard. All users have access to the Dashboard for their assigned jurisdictions and may pull a current report at any time.

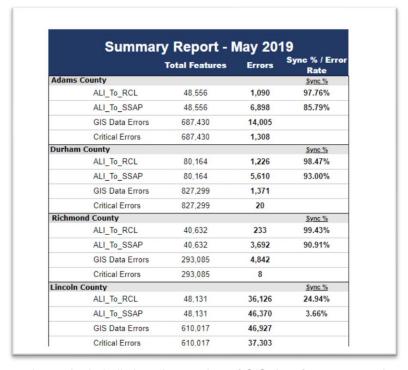
The "Choose Report" dropdown menu has the following options:

- Dashboard Results shown in graphs, includes latest resources received
- Data Quality Analysis Report Individual jurisdiction-level summary report
- Summary Report State-level summary overview of total errors and critical errors by jurisdiction
- Resources Received Individual jurisdiction-level list of latest resources uploaded to GIS Data Hub





The Dashboard visually depicts the jurisdiction's latest results in graphs by layer type and synchronization checks. The Resources Received table is also included on the Dashboard.



The Summary Report shows, by jurisdiction, the number of GIS data features, number of GIS data errors, GIS data critical errors, and ALI database and MSAG to GIS data synchronization results and match rates.



Quality control check detailed results

The GIS data quality control checks and the GIS data to MSAG and ALI database synchronization checks provide detailed results to the individual GIS source entities in Esri file geodatabase and .csv file formats. Upon completion of quality control processes, an e-mail message link to download a zipped file containing the results is sent to registered users for that jurisdiction.

GIS data QC results in .csv and GDB formats

- Upon completion of quality control processes, an e-mail message with a link to download a zipped file containing the following files is sent to registered users for that jurisdiction:
 - a geodatabase with point locations depicting the center of each fallout feature and including
 quality control check name and description of each fallout feature, split into individual feature
 classes by QC type. If no QC fallouts were identified by a particular check, no feature class is
 generated for that QC type.
 - a .csv file with the same information in tabular format plus the ALI and MSAG synchronization results
 - the .csv file can be loaded in the GeoComm Resolver add-on in ArcGIS Desktop for management of the GIS QC results and marking of exceptions – using Resolver is optional. Additional information provided on the next page.
 - the ALI database and MSAG to GIS data synchronization results can also be viewed in MS Excel. GeoComm Resolver does not zoom to ALI or MSAG fallout results as there is no location tied to these records.
 - an ETLFallouts.csv file listing feature classes and features that were not accepted and
 transformed during the ingest process. Features listed in the ETLFallouts.csv are not
 included in the QC process. ETL fallouts can be caused by field or feature class name
 changes from upload to upload, corrupt features in the upload, or duplicate SSAPs. If you are
 unsure of why a feature is reported in the ETLFallouts.csv file, please reach out to the
 NCTeam@geo-comm.com with questions.

Statewide dataset and topology results

The aggregated statewide dataset along with statewide topology results are provided separately from the individual jurisdiction results. The link to download the most current aggregated dataset and its QC results is as follows:

https://gdh.sonc.nc.geo-

comm.com/GMS_API/Admin/Download?projectName=NC&fileURL=http%3A%2F%2Fgdh.sonc.nc.geo-comm.com%2FExports%2FNC_NCStatewide%2FNC_Statewide.zip&packageDescription=Statewide+QC+Report&clientName=NCStatewide

The statewide dataset quality control checks include the following:

CRITICAL - PSAP, Fire, Law, EMS and Provisioning boundary layers gap checks



- CRITICAL PSAP, Fire, Law, EMS and Provisioning boundary layers overlap checks
- · Road centerline topology checks
 - Segment is not snapped to Adjacent Segment
 - Road Centerline crosses Provisioning Boundary
- CRITICAL PSAP URI value outside acceptable values

It is recommended that jurisdictions download these results and the aggregated dataset after each GIS data upload to confirm their polygon adjustments did not introduce gaps or overlaps with neighboring jurisdictions' data.

GeoComm Resolver

GeoComm Resolver enables users to interact with GIS data QC results directly in ArcGIS for Desktop.

To install GeoComm Resolver, see Appendix B.

Using GeoComm Resolver, users can view up to 500,000 records within the grid. To view the most current QC process results in the grid, link to the latest downloaded QCFallouts.csv file from the GeoComm Resolver settings.

To configure GeoComm Resolver to read the jurisdiction's data schema and allow marking of exceptions from within the application, these steps need to be followed after installation of the add-in:

- 1. Download QC results packet
- 2. Make sure ArcMap and ArcCatalog are closed down
- 3. Copy the following files from the ResolverFiles folder in the QC results packet:
 - a. ResolverSettings.xml
 - b. FeatureClassAliases.xml
 - c. MappedQCChecks.xml
- 4. Place these files into the following folder:
 - a. C:\ProgramData\GeoComm\Resolver\Settings

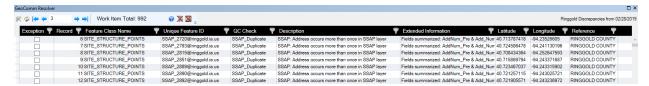
Note: this ProgramData folder may be hidden on your computer. You can navigate to the folder by copying and pasting the above path into a Windows folder.

- 5. Choose "replace" when prompted
- 6. Open ArcMap and load Resolver add-in
- 7. In the Resolver settings, change the file path to the locally saved copy of the results

In addition to viewing the results, depending on individual dataset feature fields and attributes (NGUID and GC_Exception), offending features can be located, and exceptions managed via the GeoComm Resolver grid. See GIS data quality control checks table for QC Check descriptions and associated codes



in the GIS data quality control check section of this guide. For more information on managing exceptions, see the Managing exceptions to QC checks section.



Note: To configure GeoComm Resolver to allow you to mark features as exceptions, the NGUID needs to be maintained in the local dataset. This attribute is used to link to the local dataset features.

Emergency Call Routing Function (ECRF)

The ECRF, in conjunction with other components of the ESInet, will utilize the statewide GIS data for routing of 9-1-1 calls.

While not every GIS data QC error must be resolved prior to initial load of an entity's data into the ECRF, there are several GIS data QC errors that are considered critical and need to be completely resolved before initial load. Subsequent data submissions used to keep the ECRF dataset current also may not include any critical errors.

Critical errors

A list of critical errors has been identified and if any critical errors exist in source entity GIS data, loading of GIS updates will be deferred until they are resolved.

The following errors are identified as critical to the ECRF functionality and should be the focus of resolution.

- Invalid value found in PSAP URI field
 - each PSAP has been assigned a URI, which needs to be used to populate the PSAP Route URI field

Note: Contact the MCTeam@geo-comm.com if you need information about the URI(s) for your jurisdiction

- Road Centerline address range overlaps
- · Overlaps of polygons
- Gaps between polygons

6.0 Understanding GIS data QC results and ALI/MSAG to GIS data synchronization results

As part of the GIS managed services, reports and detailed quality control check results are provided to the source entities for informational purposes, identification of issues, and discrepancy resolution tracking purposes. This section is intended to provide an overview of the checks performed and a description of



the intent of the checks. Additional details and logic of the checks are described in the GIS Data Hub Help file.

GIS data quality control checks

This table provides descriptions of each GIS data quality control check result. These values will be reflected in both the jurisdiction summary reports and the detailed results files. Additional details about the logic of each check can be found in the GIS Data Hub Help File.

The "Code" column indicates the exception code that can be entered into the local source entity's exception code field if it is determined that a feature's error needs to be treated as an exception. Multiple exception codes can be entered for a single feature if they are divided by a comma and no spaces.

Topology checks are performed after data is transformed to the WGS84 geographic coordinate system. The default Esri tolerance for WGS84, which is 0.000000008983153 degrees, is utilized when checking topology of features. This x, y tolerance is used to determine the minimum distance between coordinates before they are considered equal. The tolerance in GIS Data Hub is configurable for each topology check. Specifics on the tolerance settings are noted in the QC check details column.

Code	QC Check Name	QC Setting Description	Details
N/A	GEN_Duplicate_Source_Unique_Id	Duplicate unique ID	If a unique ID field is provided, this check identifies where a source unique ID provided by the client is not actually unique.
003	GEN_MultiPart_Geometry	Feature has multi-part geometry	This check is configured for the following layers: PSAP, fire, ems, law, provisioning and county boundary layers May be marked as an exception
N/A	GEN_MultiPart_Geometry	CRITICAL - RCL MultiPart Geometry Check	Multi-part road centerline segments are generally not intentional. Identifying them will help uncover possible ambiguous geocoding locations
100	RCL_No_Value	RCL Critical Field(s) are Missing Value	All fields designated as "M" mandatory in data schema are checked and features with missing values reported
	GEN_Value_Outside_Acceptable _Values_ValueList	RCL - CLDXF Pre Direction Value Outside Domain	
N/A		RCL - CLDXF Pre Type Value Outside Domain	CLDXF fields need to be fully spelled out and attributes stored in the correct fields. See the <u>NENA CLDXF standard</u> for more information.
		RCL - CLDXF Post Type Value Outside Domain	



Code	QC Check Name	QC Setting Description	Details
		RCL - CLDXF Post Direction Value Outside Domain	
		RCL - Legacy Pre Direction Value Outside Domain	
		RCL - Legacy Post Type Value Outside Domain	Fields such as legacy street type and directional indicators should meet NENA standards
		RCL - Legacy Post Direction Value Outside Domain	
N/A	GEN_Field_Values_Outside _Acceptable_Value	CRITICAL – PSAP URI value outside acceptable values	Checks values in the statewide PSAP layer against a valid list of PSAP URIs generated by AT&T
N/A	RCL_Range_Overlap	CRITICAL - RCL address range overlaps	Address range overlaps may cause address location ambiguity during a 9-1-1 call. This is a critical error.
N/A	RCL_Range_Parity	CRITICAL - RCL Parity Issue	Inconsistencies in address parity can uncover incorrect ranging.
105	RCL_Range_FROM_Higher	RCL Range FROM value higher than TO	May be marked as an exception
106	RCL_Direction_Check	RCL incorrect directionality - drawn wrong	Segments that run in opposite direction of all the adjacent segments are generally unintentional.
107	RCL_OneWay_Check	RCL OneWay Value Check	Identifies where roads are spatially continuous but one-way values are inconsistent/incorrect.
111	RCL_Zero_Range_Value	RCL has zero in From or To Value	Zero should be in <i>both</i> From and To value if parity is zero
112	RCL_StackedSegment	Segments are stacked on top of each other	May mark as exceptions if intentional and needed to represent multiple road names in neighboring jurisdictions.
200	RCL_TopologySnapping	Segment is not snapped to adjacent segment	Roads should create a continuous network, so segments that aren't snapped indicate a possible issue.



Code	QC Check Name	QC Setting Description	Details
201	RCL_Topology_BND	RCL crosses County Boundary	
201	RCL_Topology_BND	RCL crosses State Boundary	
201	RCL_Topology_BND	RCL crosses EMS Boundary	Road centerlines should be broken where they cross a polygon boundary to
201	RCL_Topology_BND	RCL crosses Fire Boundary	ensure correct geocoding of addresses that fall close to a boundary line.
201	RCL_Topology_BND	RCL crosses Law Boundary	
201	RCL_Topology_BND	RCL crosses PSAP Boundary	
202	RCL_Segment_Length	RCL does not meet length	Short segments are often unintentional. This check will uncover segments shorter than 10 feet and can be marked as exceptions if they are intentional.
300	SSAP_No_Value	SSAP Critical Field(s) are Missing Value	All fields designated as "M" mandatory in data schema are checked. The SSAP missing value check is not considered a critical check.
	GEN_Value_Outside_Acceptable _Values_ValueList	SSAP - CLDXF Pre Direction Value Outside Domain	
		SSAP - CLDXF Pre Type Value Outside Domain	CLDXF fields need to be fully spelled ou and attributes stored in the correct fields
		SSAP - CLDXF Post Type Value Outside Domain	See the <u>NENA CLDXF standard</u> for more information.
N/A		SSAP - CLDXF Post Direction Value Outside Domain	
		SSAP - Legacy Pre Direction Value Outside Domain	
		SSAP - Legacy Post Type Value Outside Domain	Fields such as legacy street type and directional indicators should meet NENA standards
		SSAP - Legacy Post Direction Value Outside Domain	



Code	QC Check Name	QC Setting Description	Details
401	SSAP_to_RCL	Synchronization issues between SSAP and Road Centerline	This check compares SSAPs to Road Centerlines. It identifies addresses that do not have a matching street name or range in the road centerline layer or are spatially located on the wrong side of the road based on road centerline address ranging.
N/A	SSAP_Duplicate	CRITICAL - SSAP address found multiple times within GIS data (address duplication)	Parsed out address fields are concatenated and compared to all other SSAPs to determine if a duplicate exists. Unit, Room and Seat differentiation is taken into consideration.
500	Boundary_No_Value	Missing values in a critical field	All fields designated as "M" mandatory in data schema are checked for attributes. This check is configured for PSAP, Law, Fire, EMS, County boundary layers. DNR areas may not have designated responders in which case several mandatory fields will not have attributes, such as URI, URN and agency v-card. The exception code will need to be added to the GC_Exception code field for the polygons that fall into this category.
N/A	BND_Topology_Gap	Polygon Gaps (non-critical)	County boundary gap check. 8 square foot tolerance configured.
N/A	BND_Topology_Gap	CRITICAL – Polygon Gaps	This check applies to PSAP, Law, Fire and EMS boundary layers. In instances of gaps found by the ECRF, transfer calls will be routed based on closest polygon or default route settings. 8 square foot tolerance configured.
601	BND_Topology_Overlap	Polygons Overlap (non-critical)	County boundary overlap check. 8 square foot tolerance configured.
N/A	BND_Topology_Overlap	CRITICAL – Polygon Overlaps	This check applies to PSAP, Law, Fire and EMS boundary layers. Overlaps may cause ambiguity in call routing.



Code	QC Check Name	QC Setting Description	Details
			8 square foot tolerance configured.
N/A	BND_DoesNotCoverAuthBndry	CRITICAL - Boundary layer must cover Provisioning Boundary	The PSAP, fire, law and ems boundaries are checked to ensure they fully cover the Provisioning Boundary.
N/A	BND_DoesNotCoverFeatures	CRITICAL - Provisioning Boundary does not cover Road Centerline	All submitted road centerlines and address points need to fall within the submitted Provisioning Boundary layer. Any features that fall outside of the
N/A	BND_DoesNotCoverFeatures	CRITICAL - Provisioning Boundary does not cover SSAP	Provisioning Boundary are reported as errors unless marked with '999' exception code.
N/A	ALI_No_Value	Missing values in a critical field	Street address components missing from ALI database record
N/A	ALI_To_SSAP	Synchronization issues between ALI and SSAP	Results directly correlate to landline record validation to GIS data (LVF & ECRF results)
N/A	ALI_To_RCL	Synchronization issues between ALI and Road Centerline	Results directly correlate to landline record validation to GIS data (LVF & ECRF results)
N/A	MSAG_No_Value	MSAG Critical field(s) are missing value	Street address components, ESN or MSAG Community missing from MSAG record
N/A	MSAG_100_BLOCK	Synchronization issues between MSAG and Road Centerline	MSAG low and high range addresses are compared to the road centerline to find an address, ESN and MSAG community match for each record.
N/A	Gen_Field_Values_ Outside_Acceptable_Values _Values_List	CRITICAL – Invalid value found in PSAP URI field	See AT&T URI list for correct URI assigned to each PSAP. This check compares the jurisdiction's PSAP URIs to the designated list of URI(s) for that jurisdiction's PSAP(s).

Additional exception codes

This table provides the list of additional exception code options to be utilized for features that should be removed or modified prior to quality control due to special circumstances.



Code:	Use:
999	Road centerline feature and SSAP features to be completely removed from submitted dataset prior to quality control process. These features will not be provisioned to the statewide dataset.
701	Left ranges in road centerline feature will be zeroed out before starting QC (for dual carriageways)
702	Right ranges in road centerline feature will be zeroed out before starting QC (for dual carriageways)
703	Only first point found with this address will be retained, and duplicates removed. To ensure that these duplicates are truly in the same location on the map (not true duplication errors of addresses in different locations), before removing the ones marked with this code, they are checked to make sure they are in the same physical location.

ALI database and MSAG to GIS data synchronization check results

Result	QC Setting Description	Details	
MSAG No value	Missing values in critical field	Low range, high range, street name, ESN and MSAG community are checked.	
ALI No value	Missing values in critical field	House number, street name, ESN and MSAG community are checked.	
ALI	to Road Centerline and ALI to	SSAP synchronization checks	
Fail on Full Street Name	No matching street name found	ALI record full street name not found in RCL or SSAP dataset.	
Fail on Zone	Address found only in a different community and/or ESN	ALI address number and full street name matches, but record is found in a different zone (community or ESN) than RCL or SSAP	
Found multiple times	Address found multiple times	ALI address is found multiple times either in SSAP or road centerline record.	
	Address falls in gap in the compatible ranges or could not be found in compatible ranges	ALI full street name and zone matches RCL, but	
Fail on Address Range	Address is higher than compatible ranges	address number falls outside of road centerline ranges.	
	Address is lower than compatible ranges		
Fail on Address Number	Address lies between existing house numbers	ALI full street name and zone matches SSAP, but no exact address number match can be made.	



Result	QC Setting Description	Details	
	Address is lower than existing house numbers		
	Address is higher than existing house numbers		
Fail on Address Number Suffix	Address found with different house number suffix	ALI address number, full street name and zone matches SSAP, but not exact address number suffix match can be made.	
	MSAG to Road Centerline	synchronization check	
MCAC 400 PLOCK	High Range - No house number	High as law yar as not populated in MCAC years	
MSAG_100_BLOCK	Low Range - No house number	High or low range not populated in MSAG record	
MSAG_100_BLOCK	No matching street name found	The street name in the MSAG was not found in the roads file.	
	Address is higher than compatible ranges		
MSAG_100_BLOCK	Address is lower than compatible ranges	The street name exists in the road centerline layer, but the low or high range number of the MSAG	
MSAG_100_BLOCK	Address could not be found in compatible ranges	record cannot be found in the road centerline ranges.	
	Address falls in a Gap in the compatible ranges		
MSAG_100_BLOCK	Address found only in a different community and/or ESN	The street name exists in the roads file, but the MSAG address is found in a different boundary.	
MSAG_100_BLOCK	Fail – Address found multiple times	The street name and range were found multiple times in the roads file.	

Correcting and managing quality control check results

The GIS Data Hub help file is a great resource to help get a better understanding of the QC check logic. It provides examples of different types of errors.

The GIS Data Hub help file is accessible from within GIS Data Hub. It opens a separate window with this link: https://gdh.sonc.nc.geo-comm.com/GMS_WebHelp/GIS%20Platform%20-%20User/Content/Home%20Links.htm



Managing exceptions to QC checks

Marking certain features as QC exceptions is an option but should be used sparingly. To utilize exception codes, a field specifically for exception codes needs to be added to the source entity GIS data layers. The GC_Exception field may be included for each feature class as outlined in the field mapping spreadsheet.

The purpose of utilizing the *GC_Exception* field in one or more layers is to provide a mechanism to report GIS data features as exceptions to specific types of fallout results. In subsequent QC reports, the same GIS data feature will not be reported as a discrepancy. The unique ID fields also need to be maintained and populated to manage exceptions using the GeoComm Resolver add-on tool.

For more information on managing exceptions using GeoComm Resolver, see the GeoComm Resolver help.

To manually maintain the *GC_Exception* field, rather than through GeoComm Resolver, the *Codes* in the <u>GIS data quality control checks table</u> should be referenced by the entity managing the GIS dataset and should be added and separated by commas, no spaces (i.e.105,200,201).

Note: polygon gaps cannot be marked as exceptions because they are not tied to a specific feature.

ALI and MSAG to GIS data synchronization check results

The purpose of the ALI to GIS data comparison check is to identify records that are not synchronized. Keeping the databases in sync will be an on-going process until the MSAG is replaced with the LVF, which will utilize the statewide GIS data created through aggregation of the GIS data submitted by the local entities.

7.0 Seamless statewide dataset

In order to achieve a seamless statewide dataset, as desired for NG9-1-1, several guidelines and quality control mechanisms need to be put in place and followed. The information in this section provides an overview of guidelines and mechanisms needed to achieve a seamless statewide dataset.

Border points for road centerlines meeting at boundaries

Another important aspect of a seamless dataset is the road centerline and boundary layer topology. As GIS data is maintained by several different entities in disparate systems, the exact geographic location road centerline segment endpoints or boundary vertices meet at borders between the GIS data source entities is impossible to match without a reference layer to indicate the exact location to both entities. Border points (aka stitch points) will be created by GeoComm as multiple neighboring dataset submission are received to assist in the effort of creating a topologically accurate seamless, statewide dataset.

The border points layer will be made available at a future date on the State of North Carolina project site.

The points will be placed at each vertex location along a provisioning boundary's border (identical to outside PSAP boundary) and at road endpoints for roads that cross the boundary. Two points will be placed if points between neighboring counties do not match. The local GIS source entities should work together to agree to the exact locations and snap the endpoints of their road centerline segments and add a vertex to the boundary polygons at each border point location along a boundary polygon. In addition to a seamless road centerline layer, this will reduce boundary polygon overlaps and gaps in the statewide



dataset. Once the border points have been established between jurisdictions, they should be used for reference any time GIS data edits are made on border roads.

An accurate, fully developed border point layer, with established guidelines that is understood and agreed upon by all entities, assists in the assurance of a continuous seamless dataset.

Note that exception code "999" may be used for road centerline segments present in a local dataset that fall outside that GIS source entity's jurisdiction.

Mutual aid coverage areas extending beyond county boundaries

Most PSAP boundaries coincide with the county boundary, but in some areas, mutual aid agreements dictate that a PSAP's boundary extends beyond the county boundary. It is important to keep in mind that the PSAP boundary coverage area and underlying GIS data boundary polygons, road centerlines and address points should be maintained and submitted into the NG9-1-1 system by the jurisdiction responsible for that PSAP. The PSAP boundary coverage area corresponds to the MSAG for that PSAP.

In cases where the PSAP boundary extends beyond a county boundary, the neighboring jurisdictions need to coordinate submittal of the associated GIS data to avoid overlapping data submissions. If both jurisdictions wish to maintain the same coverage area for display purposes in the dispatch mapping system, adding the "999" exception code to the features within this overlapping area will ensure they are removed from one jurisdiction's data submission before aggregation and thus will not create duplication in the aggregated dataset.



8.0 GeoComm Services Bureau support information

GeoComm is available to provide support if needed. Regular office hours are Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. Eastern Time. After-hours emergency support is best reached by calling 1.866.837.7379.

State of North Carolina Managed Services team contact information is below followed by GeoComm's response time commitment.

Phone	E-mail
1.844.282.4507 (direct line to GIS team)	NCTeam@geo-comm.com
9:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. M–F	9:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. M–F

When calling in for support, ask for the *State of North Carolina team*. If routed to the automated answering service during regular business hours, choose the "GIS" option, then ask for the State of North Carolina team.

If calling for assistance with critical or major impact to the system after regular business hours and on weekends, choose the "Tech Support" option.

Priority:	Description:	Response time:
Critical Impact – Service Not Available	 Service is unavailable or halted Data is unavailable or nonfunctional Service productivity or functionality is severely compromised There is a complete loss of service for all End users and there is no ability to avoid or reduce the incident via a workaround. 	Less than two clock hours 24 x 7
Major Impact – Severely Impaired	 Service performance/functionality for all End users is seriously impaired or degraded Data accuracy is seriously impaired There is no ability to avoid or reduce the effect of the incident via a workaround. 	Less than four clock hours 24 x 7
Minor Impact – Minimal Degraded Performance or Functionality; Single User Issues	 Service has encountered a non-critical issue with minimal loss of performance/functionality Data accuracy is minimally degraded May be identified as a functional defect Complete stoppage of a single End User A partial loss of service for an End User and there is a way to reduce the effect or completely avoid the impact of the incident via a workaround at a reasonable cost 	Less than 16 business hours Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Central Standard Time
Low Impact – Single User Application	 Service is unavailable or degraded (not a complete work stoppage) for a Single End User. 	Less than 24 business hours Monday through Friday



9.0 Appendix A | USPS Publication 28 and CLDXF Street Name Values

Legacy Street Suffixes

GIS data attributes in the legacy street suffix fields should follow these NENA USPS street suffixes publication standards.

ALY,ANX,ARC,AVE,AV,BYU,BCH,BND,BLF,BLFS,BTM,BLVD,BR,BRG,BRK,BRKS,BG,BGS,BYP,CP,C YN,CPE,CSWY,CTR,CTRS,CIR,CIRS,CLF,CLFS,CLB,CMN,CMNS,COR,CORS,CRSE,CT,CTS,CV,CVS,CRK,CRES,CRST,XING,XRD,XRDS,CURV,DL,DM,DV,DR,DRS,EST,ESTS,EXPY,EXT,EXTS,FALL,FLS,FRY,FLD,FLDS,FLT,FLTS,FRD,FRDS,FRST,FRG,FRGS,FRK,FRKS,FT,FWYGDN,GDNS,GTWY,GLN,GLNS,GRN,GRNS,GRV,GRVS,HBR,HBRS,HVN,HTS,HWY,HL,HLS,HOLW,INLT,IS,ISS,ISLE,JCT,JCTS,KY,KYS,KNL,KNLS,LK,LKS,LAND,LNDG,LN,LGT,LGTS,LF,LCK,LCKS,LDG,LOOP,MALL,MNR,MNRS,MDW,MDWS,MEWS,ML,MLS,MSN,MTWY,MT,MTN,MTNS,NCK,ORCH,OVAL,OPAS,PARK,PKWY,PASS,PSGE,PATH,PIKE,PNE,PNES,PL,PLN,PLNS,PLZ,PT,PTS,PRT,PRTS,PR,RADL,RAMP,RNCH,RPD,RPDS,RST,RDG,RDGS,RIV,RD,RDS,RTE,ROW,RUE,RUN,SHL,SHLS,SHR,SHRS,SKWY,SPG,SPGS,SPUR,SQ,SQS,STA,STRA,STRM,ST,STS,SMT,TER,TRWY,TRCE,TRAK,TRFY,TRL,TRLR,TUNL,TPKE,UPAS,UN,UNS,VLY,VLYS,VIA,VW,VWS,VLG,VLGS,VL,VIS,WALK,WALL,WAY,WAYS,WL,WLS

CLDXF Street Name Pre and Post Types

NENA Registry System | Street Name Pre Types and Street name Post Types
http://technet.nena.org/nrs/registry/StreetNamePreTypesAndStreetNamePostTypes.xml

CLDXF Street Name Pre-Type Separators

NENA Registry System | Street Name Pre Type Separators

http://technet.nena.org/nrs/registry/StreetNamePreTypeSeparators.xml

Street Directionals – Legacy and CLDXF

Legacy	CLDXF	Legacy	CLDXF
N	North	NE	Northeast
Е	East	SE	Southeast
S	South	NW	Northwest
W	West	sw	Southwest



10.0 Appendix B | GeoComm Resolver – Installing, setting up, and help documentation

The information below provides high-level instructions for installing and setting up GeoComm Resolver and accessing its help documentation. Please contact the MCTeam@geo-comm.com to request the GeoComm Resolver installer for ArcGIS Desktop versions 10.5 and 10.6.

- The GeoComm Resolver package includes a zip file with the GeoComm Resolver installer and installation instructions.
- After installation, help documentation to assist in setting up and using GeoComm Resolver is provided within the product.

When setting up the link to the QCFallouts.csv file, reference the local, downloaded copy of the latest QC results. Note: A suggested method for keeping the view in the grid current is to overwrite the local, linked copy of the QCFallouts.csv file each time new results are available for download from the GIS Data Hub.

11.0 Appendix C | QC corrections tips & tricks

Priorities

The first priority should be to add and populate all mandatory fields. The errors associated with unpopulated mandatory fields are named "critical fields missing values". Populating these fields can greatly reduce the error count.

GeoComm's recommendation for error resolution in order of priority and efficiency is as follows:

- 1. Populate mandatory fields
- 2. Ensure unique IDs in every layer are globally unique
- 3. Correct boundary gaps and overlaps
- Correct road range overlaps
- 5. Resolve Site/Structure address point duplicates
- 6. Manage multi-unit locations
- 7. Correct Site/Structure address point to road centerline fallout
- 8. Correct ALI database to road centerline fallout
- 9. Split road centerlines at every intersection and where roads cross any boundary polygon
- 10. Ongoing coordination with neighboring jurisdictions to ensure boundary alignment



Instructions

Populate mandatory fields

List of mandatory fields

Road Centerlines			
Discrepancy Agency ID	CLDXF Street Name component (i.e. "Main" in "Main Street")	Left/Right State^	
Date Updated	Legacy Street Name component (i.e. "Main" in "Main St")	Left/Right Incorporated Municipality*	
Unique ID (NGUID)	Parity Left/Right – a script is available to assist with this process, see landing page	Left/Right MSAG Community	
From/To Left/Right ranges	Left/Right County	Left/Right Country^	

^{*}populate with "UNINCORPORATED" for areas outside municipalities

Site/Structure Address Points			
Discrepancy Agency ID	CLDXF Street Name component (i.e. "Main" in "Main Street")	State^	
Date Updated	Legacy Street Name component (i.e. "Main" in "Main St")	Incorporated Municipality#	
Unique ID (NGUID)	County^ & Country^	MSAG Community	

#populate with "UNINCORPORATED" for areas outside municipalities

PSAP Boundary		
Discrepancy Agency ID^	State^	Display Name
Date Updated	Agency ID*	Service URI
Unique ID (NGUID)	Service URN [^]	Agency vCardURI*

Emergency Service Boundary Layers (Fire, Law, EMS)			
Discrepancy Agency ID ^A	State^	Display Name	



Date Updated	Agency ID*	Service URI*
Unique ID (NGUID)	Service URN [^]	Agency vCardURI*

Provisioning Boundary
Discrepancy Agency ID^
Date Updated
Unique ID (NGUID)

County Boundary		
Discrepancy Agency ID^	State^	
Date Updated	County^	
Unique ID (NGUID)	Country	

Incorporated Municipality Boundary		
Discrepancy Agency ID^	State^	Incorporated Municipality Name
Date Updated	County^	
Unique ID (NGUID)	Country^	

Afield can be set to auto-populate in GIS Data Hub, instead of having to be maintained locally

Ensure unique IDs in every layer are globally unique

- For NGUID (NG9-1-1 Unique ID) management, we suggest using Esri's Attribute Assistant toolset or append your jurisdiction's name to an existing GlobalID (if available)
- It is suggested to include a layer name designation as part of the NGUID to avoid duplication between layers
 - RCL_1@richmond.nc.us
 - SSAP_1@richmond.nc.us
- To confirm IDs are unique prior to submission to GIS Data Hub, run a summarize of the NGUID field in each layer before submitting

Correct boundary gaps and overlaps

Begin with defining PSAP boundary(ies)*



^{*}mandatory fields for which instruction has not yet been provided. No need to populate at this time.

- Create the Provisioning boundary which is required to be 100% covered by the emergency service boundaries, including PSAP
- Align all other emergency service boundaries to match the defined outer edge of the Provisioning boundary

*During the transitional period, your PSAP boundary must match your MSAG coverage. In a full NG9-1-1 system, PSAP boundaries can be defined based on desired call routing. Associated GIS provisioning coverage must be coordinated with neighboring GIS submitters to ensure no overlap or duplication is introduced into the aggregated statewide dataset.

Correct road range overlaps

- Investigate reported road range overlaps and determine how to fix. Common issues include:
 - Mixed parity on one side of the road range (i.e. 1-99 and 1-98).
 - Typo in range field causing multiple overlaps with one segment (i.e. three adjacent segments are ranged: 2-48/1-49, 50-98/51-99 and 10-198/101-199 so all lower ranged blocks will overlap until the range on the third segment is updated to 100-198).
 - Road segments are split or copied without ranges being updated.
- Resolving road range overlaps also resolves SSAP and ALI database synchronization issues that are reported as "address found multiple times".

Manage multi-unit locations

 Add one master address point without unit information for each multi-unit building to the Site/Structure address point layer. The Location column in the ALI database is not utilized for the synchronization check due to non-standardized ALI location information, so a master/main address point is needed for ALI database record match.

Correct Site/Structure address point to road centerline fallout

- Start correcting no matching street name errors.
- Compare and fix any MSAG community differences.
- Resolve house numbers that do not match road centerline ranges (either correct ranges or update address points if the address point house number is invalid).

Note: Upload corrected GIS data layers before proceeding to the ALI database to road centerline corrections as road centerline changes may have introduced new errors or resolved previous ALI database to road centerline mismatches. During the next step, keep in mind that any street name and MSAG community variations need to be reconciled between the ALI database, MSAG, road centerline and Site/Structure address point attributes.



Correct ALI database to road centerline fallout

- Start correcting no matching street name errors. If the correction is needed in the road centerline, then this can potentially resolve many ALI database fallout records and also uncover new MSAG community mismatches.
- Once all no matching street name errors are resolved, begin working through ALI database records with house numbers that are higher than or lower than compatible ranges, could not be found in compatible ranges, or falls in a gap in the compatible ranges.
- The remaining error type is address found only in a different community. Investigate these errors
 to determine if the GIS data is correct or the ALI database is correct. If the GIS data is correct,
 request MSAG modifications to correct the ALI database.

Split road centerlines at every intersection and where roads cross any boundary polygon

- Road centerlines need to be split at every intersection to ensure calls plot on the correct side of an intersection.
- Road centerlines need to be split and snapped to a boundary vertex where roads cross a boundary to ensure a call plots in the correct boundary.
- When splitting roads at intersections or when crossing ESN boundaries (Medical, Fire, Law),
 ensure that the road ranges are adjusted to account for these changes. Using the split tool in the
 Esri standard editing tools does not adjust the road ranges automatically. In fact, this creates
 duplicate road ranges which in turn will be flagged as critical errors in the GIS Data Hub quality
 control check results.

